

THE ADVENTURE JULY, 2017

ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH

OUR MISSION – FAITHFUL IN THE WORD

- + To *gather* as God's people and nurture one another
- + To *know* the Word of God
- + To *grow* in faith, love, and service
- + To *go* into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ



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PENTECOST IV, JULY 2

Independence Day Commemoration

- 9:00 am Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 am Traditional Holy Communion
- 10:30 am Fellowship - Open
- 10:45 am Adult Bible Class
- 11:30 am Brynn & William Hanlon
Baptisms



**HAPPY 4TH
OF JULY**

TRENTON THUNDER WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 - GAME TIME 7 PM



PENTECOST V, JULY 9

- 9:00 am Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 am Contemporary Holy Communion
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time - Donna Strauss,
Nancy Hill
- 10:45 am Adult Bible Study
Church Council

PASTOR ON VACATION JULY 13 THRU 15

PENTECOST VI, JULY 16

- 9:00 am Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 am Traditional Holy Comm.
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time - Open
- 10:45 am Adult Bible Class

PASTOR ON VACATION JULY 22 - 29

PENTECOST VII, JULY 23

Liturgist:

Preacher: George Henry

- 9:00 am Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time - Open
- 10:45 am Adult Bible Class

PENTECOST VIII, JULY 30

Guest Worship Leader

- 9:00 am Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 am Traditional Holy
Communion
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time - Open
- 10:45 am Adult Bible Class

PENTECOST IX, AUGUST 6

- 9:00 am Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 am Traditional Holy
Communion
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time - Open
- 10:45 am Adult Bible Class

Pastor's Message for the Month . . .

*"Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
²Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
³For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
⁴In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
⁵The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land."*

Psalm 95:1-5

Even as we give thanks for Jesus' saving death upon the cross for us and for the Holy Spirit's work in our lives, so too we thank the Father for his works of creation. Having just spent a week with Ruby at Virginia Beach I came to appreciate anew the beauty of the ocean. It was calm and relaxing lying on the beach and watching the waves break gently on the shore. I often find that when gazing at God's creation I experience a sense of peace. It was good to have a time of rest and refreshment.

I pray that you too will have the opportunity to get away somewhere and have the opportunity for some down-time. May you also be refreshed as we enjoy the beauty of nature and all that God has made.

Have a blessed summer,

Pastor Sorcek

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THANKS TO GUEST WORSHIP LEADERS

We express our thanks to Gail Oines (Liturgist) and George Henry (Preacher) for leading our worship on June 18 while Ruby and I were away. We appreciate them serving the Lord in this way.

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UPCOMING VACATION DATES

Ruby and I are also looking to some other vacation times in July. We will be away from Thursday, July 13 through Saturday, July 15 in Western Pennsylvania. We will also be gone from Friday, July 21 through Saturday, July 29 in New Hampshire and Quebec. While Pastor is away please contact the church office or Kathryn Urbaniak , Financial Secretary at 215-968-2675 for any pastoral emergencies.



TRENTON THUNDER BASEBALL -
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 -Game time is 7 pm



SIGN-UP SHEETS

Please sign up in the narthex for mission support, altar flowers, lawn mowing and to host Fellowship following the 9:30 service.

GRASS CUTTERS NEEDED

Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please volunteer to help keep our grounds looking neatly manicured.



SAVE THE DATE FOR
VBS

Advent's Vacation Bible School program will be held August 7 thru 11 from 9 am

to noon. The theme this year will be "The Power of Love". Registration forms are available in the narthex. If you would like a form emailed to you please contact us at: office@adventrichboro.org

CONGRATULATIONS ON GRADUATIONS

Congratulations to the following who have notified us of their recent or upcoming graduation:

Austin Gardener - Austin graduated from Moravian College with a Bachelor of Arts in Business. He will be working at the YMCA of Bucks County as a Human Resource Generalist.

Christopher Starke - Christopher graduated from West Chester University with a B.S. in Psychology. He now resides in Aston, PA.



CONGRATULATIONS ON BAPTISM

We welcomed into God's church on June 11 through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism Adriana Louise Evangelist, child of Mario and Stephanie Evangelist. Adriana was born on February 20, 2017 at Abington Memorial Hospital. Sponsors are Melissa Fera and Scott Misher. May God's blessings be with the Evangelist and Fera families on this joyous occasion.

INCOME FOR MAY 2017

Benevolence	
(LWR, Mission Support, etc)	\$ 998
General Fund	\$10,977
Mortgage Fund	\$ 3,315

2017 Budget

Budgeted to date for General Fund	\$76,560.00
Received to date for General Fund	\$71,444.00
	-\$ 5,116.00

Budgeted for Mortgage Fund	\$27,148.00
Received to date for Mortgage Fund	\$19,258.00
	-\$ 7,890.00

A Note from the Financial Secretary:

As you can see from my report above, we have fallen behind in the amount of money needed to meet budget.

For general fund we are behind \$5,116.

The mortgage fund is behind \$7,890.

Please consider giving a little more, or if you have not been able to make it to church you can always mail in your offering.

Many thanks to all of you who give faithfully!

Please keep our/your family here at Advent in your prayers.

Respectfully,
Kathryn Urbaniak

WAYS TO GIVE FINANCIALLY

Did you know that there are three ways to give an offering to Advent Lutheran Church.

1. Offering envelope.
2. Simply Giving. This is an automatic deposit from a checking account into Advent Lutheran Church account that occurs every month. There are two different dates during the month to pick from. If you are interested in setting this up or for more information, please contact me at 215-968-2675.
3. On-line giving. This option is with a credit card. Log onto our website: www.adventrichboro.org and click on the "Give Now" button.

Thank you for your continued support for our Ministry.
Respectfully,
Kathryn Urbaniak

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED ADVENT IN YOUR WILL

Those who have faithfully supported Advent through their regular offerings can also support the church by including it in your will. Gifts can be designated for the endowment fund, mortgage reduction or to support the regular expenses of the church. Remembering your church in your will can help Advent through the difficult economic times. Please speak with a member of the finance or endowment committee or pastor for more information.

FINANCIAL NOTE

With the summer months here we need your continued and regular support. We need to maintain or increase our level of giving to the General Fund and to the Mortgage Fund. Try to worship with us as often as possible in the summer months. If you are going to be away on vacation

CHRISTIAN CONCERTS

I was asked recently to share information on concerts that are in the area. Karen's Place, an underground Christian café at the Doylestown Mennonite Church has concerts on Monday's in August, they start their "Monday Nights in August" series which is held outside on the grounds. For more information, visit their website (info@karensplace.com) or find them on facebook. Admission is free, with a donation jar if you so choose and there are refreshments for sale. I will share information on other concerts as I find them.
Gail Oines, Worship & Music Chair.

for an extended period of time, consider mailing your offerings to the church office before you leave for vacation. This will help us maintain adequate cash flow during the lean summer months. And remember while away to worship in a Lutheran or other Christian church in the community where you are staying. Thank you in advance for your continued support of God's ministry and work through Advent Lutheran Church. May Christ richly bless us as we assist in doing His Kingdom work.



RECENT MEMORIAL GIFTS

Advent expresses its thanks to the following who have recently made contributions in memory of Carolyn L. Morrison:

Mr. & Mrs. Ron Brown
Mr. & Mrs. John Flint
Ms. Lynne Heritage

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers the following Advent member and friends who are ill, hurting or homebound.

Megan Henke recovering after surgery.
Tom Herbert recovering after shoulder surgery.
Tim Michaels recovering after heart surgery.
Ray Michaels recovering after stroke

JULY PERSONAL CARE COLLECTION

During the month of July Social Ministry will be collecting personal care items to benefit Women's Place in Doylestown. All items collected will be assembled during Vacation Bible School in August by the students. Shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, brushes, lotions, powder, etc. would all be greatly appreciated! Thank-you for your continued support throughout the year.



ADVENT'S BIRTHDAY CORNER **JULY BIRTHDAY**



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|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Jenna Geragi | 12 Laszlo Kovacs | 24 Raffaele Manco |
| 4 Liz Holford | 13 Charles Stirzel | 25 Andrew Frey, III |
| 5 Judy Rilling | 15 Allison Kirschner | 27 Andrew Breig |
| 6 Andy Frey, Sr. | Lindsey Kirschner | 29 Kathleen Pearson |
| 7 Karen Breig | 20 Larry Kovacs | 31 Steve Sanderlin |
| Bernadette Pearson | 21 Scarlet Belle Betz | |
| 8 Joshua Hanlon | Tyler McGee | |
| 10 Andy Frey, Jr. | Fred Wagner | |
| Joyce Heiss | 22 Pat Brown | |

Please contact the church office if you or someone you know has been omitted from the list. Thank you.



THE ARMED FORCES

Please keep in your prayers all our service men and women and especially those related to our congregation:

US Air Force Lt. Col. Andrew Frey is Commander of the Third Weather Squadron at Fort Hood Texas, which is the largest weather Squadron in the Air Force and supports the Army's First Cavalry's Division.

US Air Force Major Fred Gouse is a pilot and instructor stationed at Holloman AFB, New Mexico.

US Army Colonel (Ret.) Jeff Williams is serving in Dubai, UAE as a military advisor.

Please see our Armed Forces Display in the corridor leading to the ramp down to the fellowship hall.

If there are any errors or omissions, please notify the church office.

Thank you.



NUEVA CREACION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Please keep Pastor Lyzette Rios Sanchez and our mission congregation Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in your prayers. Your mission support gifts help them to minister in a very impoverished area of Philadelphia.

SERVING THE LORD AT ADVENT
JULY SCHEDULES

ACOLYTES

9:30 am Open

ALTAR FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

7/02	Kathy Sitler
7/09	Audrey Savchuck
7/16	Victoria Vassello
7/23	Donna Duffy
7/30	Nancy Sclicht

ALTAR GUILD

9:30 Donna Duffy, Lisa Frey,
Pam Maurer, Kathy Sitler

FELLOWSHIP TIME

7/02	Open
7/09	Open
7/16	Open
7/23	Open
7/30	Open

LAY READERS

7/02	9:30 am	Ken Meyers
7/09	9:30 am	N/A
7/16	9:30 am	Mike Vassello
7/23	9:30 am	N/A
7/30	9:30 am	Jennifer McQuiggan

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

7/02	9:30 am	Tony Gryszka
7/09	9:30 am	Gail Oines
7/16	9:30 am	Jennifer McQuiggan
7/30	9:30 am	Janice Hoffmann

MONEY COUNTERS

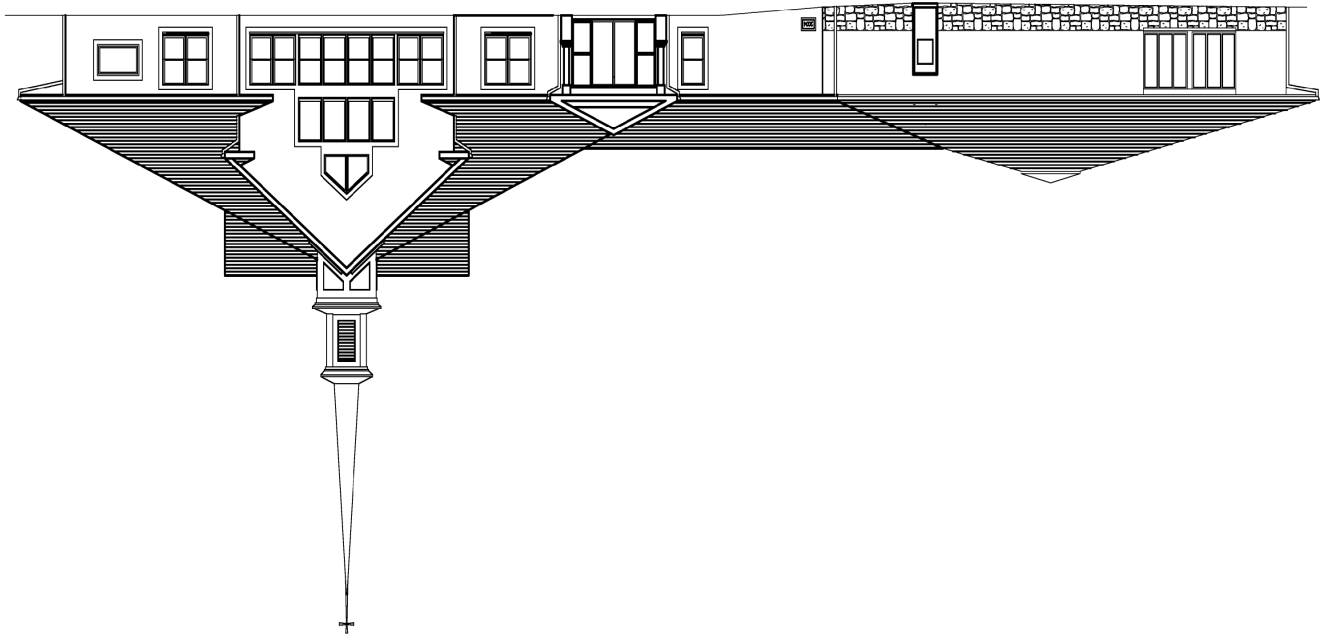
1 st	Janice Hoffmann, Dianna Strauss
2 nd	Cindy Frey, Bob Holford
3 rd	Ray & Joyce Heiss
4 th	Tony Gryszka, Tom Herbert
5 th	

USHERS

1 st	9:30 am	Ray Heiss, Bob Matlack
2 nd	9:30 am	Tom Herbert, Bob Holford
3 rd	9:30 am	George Henry, Mike Sitler
4 th	9:30 am	Tony Gryszka, Bob Pancoast
5 th		

JULY 2017

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